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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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Sir,

In the Claims:

- ✓ Please cancel pending claims 1-85.
- ✓ Please enter claims 86 to 176 per the clean copy enclosed.

Remark:

In response to the office action of application 09/419,752 dated 12/31/02 and the subsequent telephone interview dated 01/28/03, the applicant was surprised to found that the examiner still did not have the correct set of 91 claims submitted. In order to avoid further confusion and comply with the formality of office action response, claims 1-85 on the file are cancelled and the original intended claims 1-91 are resubmitted as claims 86 to 176. Please carefully evaluate if the attached clean copy comprises of 41 pages and if the total numbers of claims starting from claim 86 to claim 176 (total 91 claims) from pages 26 to 40 are complete? Please give a phone call to the applicant (310-320-9811) if any information is missing.

According to the telephone interview dated 01/28/03, the examiner restated that arguments presented in the parent application which had successfully brought the parent application to issue are irrelevant to the subject application and that these arguments